

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

The Office Action of October 9, 2007 suggests that the application contains claims directed towards four patentably distinct inventions. In particular, the Office Action suggests the following Groups as representing patentably distinct inventions:

- "Invention I" as claimed by claims 1-21
- "Invention II" as claimed by claims 22-32
- "Invention III" as claimed by claims 33-38
- "Invention IV" as claimed by claims 39-50

The Office Action requires election of a single disclosed invention and a listing of all claims readable thereon.

Therefore, in response to the aforementioned election requirement, Applicants provisionally elect "Invention 1", comprising claims 1-21, for prosecution at this time. The claims drawn towards Invention II, Invention III, and Invention IV, have been withdrawn by the above amendment.

Additionally, in an effort to further the prosecution of the subject application, the Applicant kindly invites the Examiner to telephone the Applicant's attorney at (805) 278-8855 if the Examiner has any additional questions or concerns.

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